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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Olav LANES et al.

For: COD URACIL-DNA GLYCOSYLASE, GENE CODING THEREFORE RECOMBINANT DNA CONTAINING SAID GENE OR OPERATIVE PARTS THEREOF, A METHOD FOR PREPARING SAID PROTEIN AND THE USE OF SAID PROTEIN OR SAID OPERATIVE PARTS THEREOF IN MONITORING OR CONTROLLING PCR.

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS :

Claim 3, line 1: Delete "or 2"

Claim 4, line 1: Delete "any of the preceding claims" and substitute therefor --claim 1--

Claim 5, line 1: Delete "any of the preceding claims" and substitute therefor --claim 1--

Claim 6, lines 2-3: Delete "any of the claims 1-5" and substitute therefor --claim 1--

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Claim 8, line 1: Delete "or 7" ✓

Claim 9, line 1: Delete "7 or 8," ✓

Claim 10, line 1: Delete "any of the claims 6-9" and substitute therefor --claim 6--

Claim 11, line 2-3: Delete "any of the claims 6-10" and substitute therefor --claim 6--

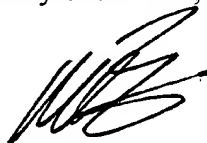
Claim 13, line 1: Delete "or 12" ✓

Claim 14, line 1: Delete "the claims 1-5" and substitute therefor --claim 1--

Claim 15, line 1: Delete "any of the claims 1-5" and substitute therefor --claim 1--

Claim 16, line 1: Delete "any of the claims 1-5" and substitute therefor --claim 1--

Respectfully submitted,



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